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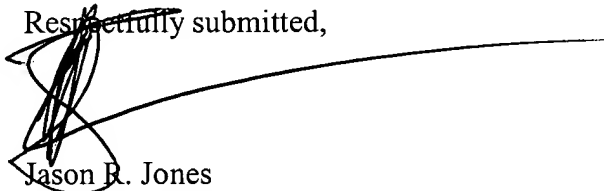
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The present application was originally filed pre-se by applicant Leroy Dickson. Mr. Dickson has subsequently retained present counsel to represent him before the USPTO in this matter.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any requisite fee or to credit any overcharge in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

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### DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION

As below named inventors, I hereby declare: that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ENHANCED VOLUME PHASE GRATING WITH HIGH DISPERSION, HIGH DIFFRACTION EFFICIENCY AND LOW POLARIZATION SENSITIVITY, which was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 9, 2001 and given Serial No. 09/682,007; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

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